

Blues and Spiders Play to Scoreless Finish Medicos Swamped--Virginia Has Easy Victory

SCORELESS GAME MARKS OPENING OF COLLEGE SEASON

Blues and Spiders Battle Without Either Crossing Goal Line.

FAST PLAY MARKS SNAPPY CONTEST

Militiamen Play Grand Defensive Game, While Collegians Prove Fast, Though Light--Richmond College Enthusiasts Are Well Pleased Over Result of Conflict.

Battling to a scoreless finish, Richmond College and the Richmond Light Infantry Blues yesterday inaugurated the college football season locally before an audience that comfortably filled Broad Street Park.

It was a remarkable football game--remarkable for several reasons. Both elevens showed a degree of preparedness seldom noted at this time of the season. Loyal followers of the Spiders were given thrills of joy, and for the first time in several seasons left the yard anticipating victory during the later and more important days. Pitted against a stockier and heavier foe, the collegians fought every inch of ground and defended their goal with a vim and punch, which gave positive evidence of how far Coach Frank Dobson has advanced in building his machine.

Nor is any of this praise for the Spiders given at the expense of the militiamen. Billy Sitterding has earned a right to be satisfied with his charges. Though his Blues were heavier than their opponents, and though he has had more experienced men to work with, all of these obvious advantages are offset through the handicap of practice periods. Richmond's crack battalion lacks the time to give to training for a football season. The fellows have to report for practice at odd moments, chief reason why the eleven is not more powerful than was shown yesterday.

Spiders' Strong Defense. On the other hand, the Spiders showed a strong defensive front, when on more than one occasion, threw a

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MEDICOS EASY FOR WASHINGTON & LEE

Sawbones Unable to Solve Defense of Lexingtonians--Subs Play at Finish.

Lexington, Va., September 27.--Presenting a dazzling offense, Washington and Lee downed the Medical College of Virginia in the initial game of the season to-day, 27 to 0. Open field running by Donahue and Young resulted in touchdowns for Washington and Lee during the earlier quarter. With victory clinched, the substitutes were injected into the struggle, but held the Medicos scoreless.

The sensational runs of the backs featured the struggle. In the first quarter Donahue received a well-directed forward pass and speeded thirty-nine yards to a touchdown. But the most exceptional feat of the clash occurred in the second quarter, when Young faked a forward pass and ran forty-nine yards through a broken field to a touchdown.

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VANDERBILT LACKS SEVEN LETTER MEN

McGugin Faces Hard Task in Rounding Commodores Into Championship Form.

LINE WILL BE STRONG

Chief Weakness in Secondary Defense, Though Many Candidates Are Seeking Places.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Nashville, Tenn., September 27.--Losing seven members of his 1912 team, including Captain Lewis Hardage, all-southern halfback, whose brilliant open field running and accurate forward passing featured practically every contest of last season, and who was practically the only member of the Commodores that could penetrate the stalwart defense of the Old Dominion team in Nashville, Coach Dan McGugin is confronted with a hard task if he would turn out another winning team this fall.

In addition to Hardage the team has lost Collins, halfback; Robins and Curdin, quarterbacks; Shipp and Covington, tackles, and Daves, guard. All of these men were of first-class calibre and were veterans in the gridiron game. Covington was the only one that did not take part in every game, being an understudy for T. Brown, who was out part of the season with injuries.

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PRESBYTERIANS LOSE TO CADETS

One Touchdown and Field Goal by V. M. I. Is Responsible for Victory.

Lexington, Va., September 27.--Virginia Military Institute played its initial football game to-day and defeated Hampden-Sidney by the score of 9 to 0. The game was hotly contested by the visitors, who played in hard luck. The cadets put up a plucky game, and showed possibilities of a fine aggregation. Burruss, Oakes, Lowry, Gallagher and Youell did stellar work for Virginia Military Institute, while Walker and Bugg were foremost for Hampden-Sidney. The cadets used the forward pass with success repeatedly, and punted for long gains. Lowry received a forward pass and made twenty yards, carrying the ball to the one-yard line, where Gallagher carried it over for touchdown. Youell drop kicked goal from the fifty-yard line. Line-up.

Collegians. Position. Cadets. Bowling.....centre.....Beasley (Captain) Moore.....right guard.....Crammer Guthrie.....left guard.....Somers Benedict.....right tackle.....Clarkson Walker.....left tackle.....Youell E. Bell.....right end.....Marshall Gregory.....left end.....Lowry Warrington.....quarter back.....Gallagher Bugg.....left half.....Oakes Pendleton.....right half.....Bain Campbell.....full back.....Burruss Summary: Touchdowns, Gallagher, Robinson, Richmond College; unpunished, of Washington and Lee University, referee. Head linesman, Jahnke. Timekeepers, Captain Miller and Mr. Page. Time of quarters, 11 minutes.

HOLY CROSS HOLDS YALE TO 10 TO 0

Elis Forced to Extend Themselves to Defeat Strong Worcester Team.

New Haven, Conn., September 27.--Doggedly checking Yale's surging attack, Holy Cross to-day held the Elis to a 10 to 0 score. During the second period Holy Cross secured the ball on Wilson's fumble at the home team's forty-yard line, and before Yale could work the ball out of danger McCabe and Carey had attempted field goals by drop kicks. Both tries were forty yards from the goal line, and fell far short. In no other instance was Holy Cross dangerous, although in the first period Osgershan, on a fake forward pass, dropped end for twenty yards. A forty-yard runback of Pendleton's kick-off by Donavan in the second

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THE SOUTH ATLANTIC ASSOCIATION

AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION OF THE UNITED STATES

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Sanction is hereby granted to Richmond Times-Dispatch for modified Marathon games to be held October 4, 1913 and the receipt of sanction fee \$10.00 is hereby acknowledged.

STARTERS' GUN IS ALL PRIMED TO SEND ATHLETES AWAY ON FIRST ANNUAL MARATHON RUN

Entry List Closes--One Hundred of Best Distance Men in State Will Take Part--Richmond Anxious to Greet Visitors. Crowds Will Turn Out to View Spectacle.

Next Saturday afternoon, at exactly 3 o'clock, in the presence of the Governor of Virginia and the Governor-elect, representatives from a score of colleges, and a collective Richmond, on hand to watch the sport, Mayor George Ainslie will fire the shot that is to start upwards of 100 strong and stout athletes over the twelve-mile course of The Times-Dispatch's first annual Modified Marathon.

Entries are all in. The list closed last night at 12 o'clock. Those who have been left out have no one but themselves to blame. The opportunity has been given for every red-blooded youngster in the State of Virginia to enter this event every South. The toll-ringing the en-passed upon by mittie. Just as formality has numbers will be tentants.

It is going day, is next streets over ners travel will with people. be no congestion. Werner is look- He will have his on hand to see ants are not in- Everybody can molest the will be police horse and on bi- be the foot brig- convenient inter- there will be the timers appointed committee. Both Gover- Governor-Elect hand to cheer their way. Dr. active chairman will likewise be course will be troled by the automobiles. These automobiles will be sufficiently in advance of the runners, so that the exhaust from the engines will not interfere with them. Other automobiles will follow behind the last man. At each turn in the course there will be a timer and observer. Nothing will be left undone.

Arrangements have been made by which the entrants may dress in the gymnasium of McGill's Catholic Union, just one block from the end of the course. A wagon will be at the starting point to take charge of the dressing robes of the runners, and carry these robes to the gymnasium. At the conclusion of the run Governor-Elect Stuart will award the prizes to the successful contestants. Remember, the winner gets a gold watch, the second man a silver watch, and others will be suitably rewarded.

GRAND THREE-YEAR PRIZE. Teams will be battling for the grand three-year trophy, the most magnificent prize ever awarded in an athletic meet in this part of the country. Each man finishing the course will get a medal, while members of the winning team will get valuable gold medals, reproductions of the grand three-year prize in miniature. The team finishing second will receive a plaque, and medals will go to each member of that team. Indeed, prizes have been arranged for all who show any ability. The fellow who drops out before the completion of the course is the only one who will not be remembered. Physicians will be on hand should any accident occur. At street car crossings special men will be placed to guard the way and prevent street cars from interfering with the athletes.

One important feature to remember is that if you are running unattached and later join a club or attend college, the points you score Saturday will be credited to the institution you later represent. The first three men have not read the rules. But it is essential that you do read the rules. They are printed every day in The Times-Dispatch, and it is part of your duty to not only read them, but understand them. If there is anything you do not understand, ask questions of the Marathon Editor, and he will gladly give you the information needed.

While Mayor Ainslie's pistol shot will officially start only the runners entered in the Marathon, it will have the direct effect of starting renewed interest in outdoor amateur athletics. This Marathon will be told of throughout the country. In every direction the success of this initial run will be heralded. Richmond is on edge to see the athletes. Not in years has such marked interest in any similar event been shown. Inquiries from all sides are being received as to where the race starts and through what streets it will be run. Once more the official route is given:

INSTRUCTIONS TO RUNNERS. ALL RUNNERS ASSEMBLE AT THE FOUNTAIN AT THE EXTREME SOUTHERN END OF THE BOULEVARD AT 2:30 O'CLOCK. THE ROLL WILL THEN BE CALLED, AND ALL THOSE NOT ON HAND AT THAT TIME WILL BE UNABLE TO COMPETE. MAYOR AINSLIE WILL SEND THE MEN AWAY PROMPTLY AT 3 O'CLOCK. NOT AT FIVE MINUTES AFTER 3 NOR FIVE MINUTES TO 3, BUT AT 3 O'CLOCK ON THE STROKE. THE MEN WILL RUN NORTH ALONG THE BOULEVARD, KEEPING TO THE RIGHT, TO MONUMENT AVENUE; EAST ALONG MONUMENT AVENUE AND FRANKLIN STREETS TO FOURTH STREET; NORTH ALONG FOURTH STREET TO GRACE STREET; AND EAST ALONG GRACE STREET TO THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT, IN CAPITOL SQUARE, ENTERING THE SQUARE BY THE CARRIAGE GATE AT THE END OF GRACE STREET. CIRCLING THE MONUMENT, THE RUN IS CONTINUED WEST ALONG GRACE STREET TO FOURTH; SOUTH ALONG FOURTH TO FRANKLIN, AND WEST ALONG FRANKLIN TO MONUMENT AVENUE TO THE BOULEVARD; SOUTH ALONG THE BOULEVARD TO THE FOUNTAIN. CIRCLING THE FOUNTAIN, THE LAST LEG OF THE RUN IS NORTH ALONG THE BOULEVARD TO MONUMENT AVENUE; EAST ALONG MONUMENT AVENUE AND FRANKLIN STREET TO FOURTH STREET; NORTH ALONG FOURTH STREET TO GRACE STREET, AND EAST ALONG GRACE STREET TO THE FINISH AT THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT, IN THE CAPITOL SQUARE. REMEMBER, RUNNERS MUST REPORT AT THE STARTING POINT AT 2:30 O'CLOCK, AND READ ALL OF THIS CAREFULLY. While the list of entries is not as imposing as in some other events, the class of athletes competing will make for fast time. The University of Virginia is sending two teams of picked men. Virginia Military Institute is well represented, the Newport News Y. M. C. A. is sending a strong aggregation, while the local institutions,

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VIRGINIA SWAMPS YELLOW JACKETS

Run Up Score of 40 to 0 on Methodists From Ashland.

WORD FLASHES TO FRONT

Does Spectacular Work in Last Half--Gooch Also Proves Star.

Charlottesville, Va., September 27.--In the first game of the season, Virginia defeated Randolph-Macon College to-day by the score of 40 to 0. Three touchdowns were made in each half. Barring a poor showing on the defensive in the first few minutes of play, the team gave a good account of itself. There was a marked absence of ragged playing characteristic of an initial game. The exactness of the team work and the splendid showing of the individual players, with two or three exceptions, gave promise of a successful season for the Orange and Blue.

All of the scores save one were the result of a series of line plunges, long runs and a steady march down the field. Gooch and Word broke away for sensational runs, and Landes, at full, gave a clever exhibition of line plunging.

Start With Rush. The Methodists started off with a rush and surprised the stands by sending their clever little quarterback around Virginia's left end, first for twenty yards and then twenty-five. This was the sum total of Randolph-Macon's offense until the opening of the final quarter, when two first downs were made in succession, after there had been several changes in Virginia's line-up.

Landes made the first two touchdowns on straight football. Just before the whistle ended the second quarter, a forward pass was attempted. Landes caught the pigskin and crossed the goal line without being tackled. "Billy" Word replaced Ray in the

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CAROLINA SCORES ONE TOUCHDOWN

Showing Made Against Wake Forest Is Disappointing to Students and Coaches.

Chapel Hill, N. C., September 27.--North Carolina's opening football game of the 1913 season between the University and Wake Forest College here to-day was a disappointment to lovers of the sport, alike to Chapel Hillians and to the many that journeyed here by automobiles and other conveyances. The score of 7 to 0 in favor of the University eleven represented a slow-moving exhibition of football, abounding in fumbles and punts, but lacking the ginger and dash countenanced by a real football scrap. Twice Carolina reinforced its line-up, in its entirety, alternating members of the second team, only to come back on the home stretch with its first eleven. Wake Forest, though exhibiting fighting blood, was poorly equipped for offensive team work, and consequently the ball see-sawed, remaining in Carolina's territory for the greater part of the game. The sprits for long gains around ends by Taylor, Carolina's left half back, the line plunging of Erwin, Carolina's full back, and the clever work of Daniel, quarter back for Wake Forest, gave to the otherwise listless game a line-up.

Carolina. Position. Wake Forest. Abernathy.....centre.....Carter (Captain) Cowell.....right guard.....Oliver Johnson.....left guard.....Erwin Abernathy.....right tackle.....Moore Edwards.....left tackle.....Powell Huske.....right end.....Rankin Homewood.....left end.....Guthrie Orr.....quarter back.....Daniel Pope.....full back.....Ferland Taylor.....left half.....Ferland Erwin.....full back.....Horn Summary: Referee, Broughton. Umpire, Thomas. Head linesman, Kluttz.

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INSURANCE LADS DEFEAT BANKERS

First Dual Meet Attracts Large Crowd--Games Prove Vastly Interesting.

The Life Insurance Co. of Virginia A. A. A. defeated the First National Bank A. A. A. in the first of a series of dual track meets for the possession of handsome trophies yesterday at Byrd Park.

A record-breaking crowd was in attendance, and great enthusiasm was displayed. There were nine events, and the Life Insurance boys captured first in six of them, also winning the relay. They practically outclassed the First National boys in the short and long distance running, but in the shot-put the high jump and the running broad jump they could do but little.

There were many sensational features, mainly the running of Ryland and Betts, and the magnificent jumping of Parsons. The races started promptly at 2 o'clock, and lasted well over two hours. After the meet Harry Smith made a short speech, and praised the athletes of both associations for their excellent showing. The ribbons were then presented to the winners and the runners-up in the different events. Summary:

100-yard dash--F. L. Betts (L. of Va.), first; R. E. Luttrell (L. of Va.), second; R. G. Parsons (F. N. B.), third; Time, 14 seconds. 13-pound shot-put--W. M. Goddard (F. N. B.), first; E. G. Cushman (L. of Va.), second.

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BREWING TROUBLE WHERE NO TROUBLE ACTUALLY EXISTS

Talk of Ousting Boatwright for Hannon Seems Idle Gossip.

NORFOLK REPORT READS LIKE JOKE

Present Chief Executive Has Shown Marked Ability, and Majority of Teams Will Vote for Him--Has Had Peaceful and Successful Administration.

BY GUS MALBERT. The Virginia League is a joy forever; there's never a dull moment. Just when blue streaks were discernible beyond the clouds, just when that portion of the populace interested in the game was beginning to have greater confidence in the conduct of the league's affairs, comes a wail, a loud, long, dismal wail, that all is not well, and that J. O. Boatwright, president of the organization for two years, must be displaced to make way for a practical man, said practical man being William M. Hannon, of Norfolk.

The cry comes from Norfolk. It was in Norfolk that the other big fight was brewed. Sometimes when things are dull in Norfolk, or rather when things are unusually dull, dullness being the status quo of the Seaville community, they begin to make a noise, just by way of diversion. The Hannon joke is the latest noise. In further explanation, let's announce that the exploitation of Hannon at this time is being thrown out to the Norfolk fanning world in the nature of a sop for their wounded pride at the showing of the club. The wish was probably father to the thought, and Hannon being around loose, they sprung him, because he would probably not resent being thrown into the breach.

League Meets To-Morrow. The Virginia League gathers in Petersburg to-morrow for the Annual peace powwow. The Gobbers will be officially declared pennant winners; Abe Horwitz will get up and tell another of his famous stories about how Newport News will have the meeting next season, because Newport News is going to win.

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GOLFERS QUALIFY FOR CLUB TOURNEY

Largest Field in History of Hermitage Turns In Good Cards.

Forty-eight golfers turned in scores in the qualifying round yesterday at the Hermitage Golf Club, which is the largest field in the history of the club. The first round will be played to-morrow or Tuesday, if agreeable to both parties, Tuesday being officially selected as default day. The following pairings were made by lot:

E. L. Word vs. Gordon Wood. H. Stewart Jones vs. J. W. Atkinson, Jr. R. F. Neale vs. James L. Anderson. W. G. Locher vs. Rives Fleming. W. H. Palmer, Jr. vs. Jeter Jones. G. W. Kolner vs. A. G. Hoover. W. P. Wood vs. R. E. Meade.

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